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Tēnā koe 

Official Information Act request

Thank you for your information request dated 6 November 2024. Your request has been considered in accordance with the Official Information Act 1982 (the Act). Your questions and our responses are set out below.

- *Is your agencies continuing to pursue the carbon neutral public service targets?- If so, please provide any documents showing how this is being implemented”?*

Yes, Te Puni Kōkiri is committed to reducing our carbon neutral public service targets. This part of your request is refused under section 18(d) of the Act, as the information is publicly available. Since 30 June 2022, Te Puni Kōkiri have published carbon emissions in our Annual Report [Te Puni Kōkiri Annual Reports](#).

- *“The total spend on this target broken down by year since the targets were implemented (including but not limited to internal staff numbers, external spend, capital spend, offset spend)”?*

Te Puni Kōkiri do not provide a dedicated budget on reaching carbon neutral public service targets. Instead, Te Puni Kōkiri monitor’s targets, on a monthly basis as part of our business as usual, to management on the performance of their spend in areas that directly contribute to Te Puni Kōkiri’s carbon emissions, like air travel, fleet vehicles, electricity, and waste.

- *“Total EV’s brought since the targets were implemented broken down by year?
-Please provide notes on type of car”.*

Te Puni Kōkiri has not purchased any vehicles in 2021/22, 2022/23 and 2023/24 financial years. Therefore, we are refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

- *“Total spent on agency emissions inventories by year since implementation.
-Please provide the most recent inventory”.*

Year	Amount
2021/22	19,894
2022/23	17,478
2023/24	19,051

The spend identified in the table above relates to our Toitū annual membership fee and audit certification. Te Puni Kōkiri do not have dedicated kaimahi who are employed exclusively on this kaupapa. Instead, Te Puni Kōkiri have recently set up a voluntary working group who have been tasked to develop a reduction plan and strategy that provides regular updates to management. This reduction plan is still in a work in progress.

For the most recent inventory, please refer to [Te Puni Kōkiri Annual Reports](#).

- *“How much is spent on voluntary carbon offsets? (Not the ETS)
Please provide information on consultants for this and the total offsets.
Any consideration or actions involving Agricultural emissions”.*

Te Puni Kōkiri has not spent money on any individual carbon offsets to date and does not intend to for the current financial year. In addition, Te Puni Kōkiri do not have or report on agricultural emissions. Therefore, we are refusing this part of your request under section 18(e) of the Act as the information requested does not exist.

I trust my response satisfies your request.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that Te Puni Kōkiri publishes some of its OIA responses on its website, after the response is sent to the requester. The responses published are those that are considered to have a high level of public interest. We will not publish your name, address or contact details.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your request with us, including this decision, please feel free to contact us at uia@tpk.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi



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